- (ii) That if the transaction does not take effect within a specified time limit, or unless, in the meantime, a request for an extension of time has been approved, the consent granted shall expire at the end of the said time period;
- (iii) That until the conditional commitment of the FDIC becomes effective, the FDIC retains the right to alter, suspend or withdraw its commitment should any interim development be deemed to warrant such action; and
- (iv) In the case of a merger transaction (as defined in  $\S 303.7(b)(1)$ ), including a phantom merger or reorganization, that the proposed transaction not be consummated before the thirtieth calendar day after the date of the order approving the merger.
- (c) Authority delegated to regional manager. For purposes of this part, and where confirmed in writing, any authority delegated to the regional manager may also be exercised by his or her principal assistant.
- (d) Construction. Any singular term includes the plural, and the plural includes the singular, if such use would be appropriate. Any use of the masculine, feminine, or neuter gender shall encompass all three, if such use would be appropriate.

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## § 303.1 Application by nonmember bank, state savings association, and Federal savings association for deposit insurance.

Application for deposit insurance by an existing or proposed nonmember bank,¹ state savings association or Federal savings association should be filed with the appropriate regional director. The relevant application forms and instructions may be obtained from the appropriate FDIC regional office.

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## § 303.2 Applications by insured state nonmember bank to establish a branch, move its main office or relocate a branch.

(a) Application by an insured state nonmember bank (except a District

bank) to establish and operate a new branch2, to move its main office, or relocate a branch should be filed with the appropriate regional director. For purposes of this requirement, a branch relocation is a move within the same immediate neighborhood that does not substantially affect the nature of the business of the branch or the customers of the branch. Under this paragraph, situations where an insured state nonmember bank closes a branch in one location and opens a branch in another location outside the immediate neighborhood of the closed branch are considered the establishment of a new branch and the closing of an existing branch. Applications filed under this paragraph shall indicate whether they are to establish and operate a new branch, move a main office, or relocate a branch office. The application shall be mailed or delivered to the regional director on the date on which the notice required in §303.6(f)(1) is published or not more than 30 days subsequent to the first required publication of notice. The application shall be in letter form and shall contain the following information:

- (1) The exact location of the proposed site, including street address (unless one has not been assigned to the location):
- (2) Details concerning any involvement in the proposal by an insider (a director, an officer, or a shareholder who directly or indirectly controls 5 or more percent of any class of the applicant's outstanding voting stock, or the associates and interests of any such person) of the bank, including any financial arrangements relating to fees, the acquisition of property, leasing of property, and construction contracts;
- (3) The impact of the proposal on the human environment, specifically, information on compliance with local zoning laws and regulations and the effect on traffic patterns;
- (4) A statement as to whether or not the site is included in or is eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places, including evidence

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A nonmember bank is a bank which is not a member of the Federal Reserve System.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The term branch includes any domestic branch or foreign branch as those terms are defined in section 3(o) of the Act, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1813(o)).